

Local Reparations

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Local Reparations Pre-2018

- Resolutions in support of HR 40
- Slavery Disclosure Laws
- Illinois Trans Atlantic Slave Trade Commission

Local Reparations 2018-Current

Charge to deliver reparative and healing initiatives at the state and local levels

2018 - New York

2019 – **Evanston** - Chicago, Vermont and, Pennsylvania

2020 – Illinois and **California** other cities and states are preparing legislation

Local Reparations Not Reparations?

- Reparations are any resources, no matter how large or small, no matter how narrow or broadly administered that is targeted toward repair or healing of current injuries from past harms .
- Any initiative specifically formed to address enslavement, Jim Crow or post-Jim Crow harms to the Black community.
- A DNA test is a form of reparations.

Foundation For Local Reparations

3 Minimum Guidelines - NAARC

- Initiatives must be determined by the injured
- Resources must be administered or approved by the injured
- Policy must be specifically targeted to address past harms

Purpose and Models

Purpose

- Act as triage
- Push HR 40

HR 40	Evanston	M. Williamson
Establish Commission	Established the Commission	Establish Amount
Determine Reparative Initiatives	Determined the funding source and amount	Establish a Commission/ Authority
Fund Initiatives	Determine Initiatives	Determine Initiatives

Categories of Reparative Initiatives

Full Reparations – Full Repair

- Cessation
- Restitution
- Compensation
- Satisfaction
- Rehabilitation

Benefits

- Direct
- Collective

Component	NAARC	D	C	Evanston	D	C	Chicago	D	C
Restitution	Repatriation and African Knowledge Program	X	X	Business (grants, façade improvement, Black Wall Street)	X		Preservation of Black neighborhoods	X	X
	Repair Damage of Criminal Injustice System	X	X	School (Stem center; Foster school, Oakton)		X	Develop a vocational training	X	
	Strengthen Information and Communication Infrastructure	X	X	Housing (affordable; retention and attraction; moderate priced; repairs and improvement;	X		Proportionate representation in all city contracts	X	
	Education for Community Development and Empowerment	X	X	Co-ops (kitchens, workspaces, business center, land trust)	X				
				Education (skilled trades, community college,	X				
				Public Access TV / Black Media		X			
				Birthright and connections to Africa	X				

Component	NAARC	D	C	Evanston	D	C	Chicago	D	C	Component	NAARC	D	C	Evanston	D	C	Chicago	D	C
Compensation	Right to Land for Social and Economic Development		X	Write a Check	X		Enforce the Chicago Slavery Disclosure Ordinance		X	Satisfaction	A Formal Apology and Establishment of a MAAFA/African American Holocaust Institute		X	Funding for Shorefront Legacy Center / Black Art Gallery (Gibbs-Morrison)		X	An apology consistent with International norms		X
		Funds for Cooperative Enterprises and Socially Responsible Entrepreneurial Dev.	X	X	Matching funds (NU, Jewish community, businesses, Next Generations Funds)		X	Establish a Community Trust Fund				X	Preserving Sacred Sites and Monuments		X	Street Naming / Lakefront Access, the Black Journey		X	Economic partnership with Black Cultural institutions
	Affordable Housing for Healthy Black Community Wealth Generation	X	X	Sovereign Fund		X	Annual \$1,000,000 Commission budget for 20 years		X					Teach African American History		X	Free education in all City and State	X	
														Support Caribbean American activities		X	Reparation curriculum in all public schools		X

Conclusion

- Utilizing this local reparations model allows for
 - Prioritizing reparative initiatives
 - Intense focus on outcomes
 - Intentional planning for repair.